

Request for Council Action

Originator	Item
Engineering	Award of Contract: 2015-202 Pedestrian Crossing Improvement
	Project
Agenda Section	Date
Consent Business	3/21/2016

Description

The City Council is requested to consider the award of contract for the 2015-202 Pedestrian Crossing Improvement Project.

This project includes the installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) systems along with associated pedestrian ramp improvements at three locations including American Blvd, Portland Ave and East Bush Lake Rd.

Staff applied for and has received federal funding from the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) in the amount of \$170,640 with a 10% local agency match of \$18,960 for a total project cost of \$189,600. Bloomington local funds are available to cover the local match amount along with any additional amount needed to cover the cost of the project. No special assessments are proposed.

This project was previously bid in May and July of 2015 with 0 bidders at both bid openings. Staff was optimistic that the third bid opening scheduled for early in 2016 would produce bidder interest. Staff has noticed that bids received throughout the Metro area in early 2016 have increased significantly.

A map has been included showing the location of these improvements.

Bids were received and opened on Wednesday, February 24, at 11:00 AM. All bids are based on unit prices and estimated quantities.

The bid results for 2015-202 Pedestrian Crossing Improvement Project are as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	Bid Bond	Bid Amount	Bid Amount (to be Awarded)
New Look Contracting Inc. Thomas & Sons Construction, Inc.	5 % 5 %	\$259,605.00 \$270,050.20	\$259,605.00
Original Engineer's Estimate (2014 with inflation – 5%/yr)		\$192,937.50	

Full funding for the City's portion of the project is available in the municipal state aid fund.

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Requested Action

Staff recommends that the 2015-202 Pedestrian Crossing Improvement Project be awarded as noted above to New Look Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$259,605.00 and approve funding for various contract changes up to a 10% contingency of the original contract amount (\$25,960.50) for a total project construction authorization of \$285,565.50.

Attachments:

Project Location Map Resolution